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TAGS CASC: (STRANDED TRAVELERS - ALASKAN HIGHWAY)

REF: TELEPHONE CONVERSATION KRUSE/ADAMSON

- 1. RCMP FT. NELSON, B.C. REPORTED BAD RAIN STORM WASHED OUT OR BADLY DAMAGED MCDONALD BRIDGE AT MILE 410, RACING RIVER BRIDGE AT MILE 419, AND BRIDGE AT MILE 438. MUCH OF ROAD AT MILE 482, MUNCHO LAKE, IN NEED REPAIR. NO OTHER LAND ROUTE OPEN TO TRAFFIC BECAUSE A 1,000-MILE DETOUR OVER GRAVEL ROAD ALSO WASHED OUT SEVERAL PLACES.
- 2. APPROXIMATELY 60 VEHICLES TRAVELING SOUTH STRANDED WATSON LAKE, YUKON TERRITORY BUT WEATHER PLEASANT AND MANY HAVE CAMPERS OTHERS STAYING IN HOTELS. VEHICLES TRAVELING NORTH BLOCKED AT FT. NELSON. ESTIMATE 150 PEOPLE STRANDED.
- 3. RCMP ESTIMATE VEHICLES STRANDED ABOVE MUNCHO LAKE WANTING TRAVEL NORTH ABLE TO TRAVEL TWO TO THREE DAYS BUT WILL NEED ESCORT. WILL TAKE MINIMUM 7 TO 10 DAYS REPAIR BRIDGES FOR TRAVEL BETWEEN MUNCHO LAKE AND FT. NELSON. GOOD NEWSPAPER AND TV COVERAGE IN VANCOUVER, B.C. RE DAMAGE TO ROAD AND BRIDGES.

WILL KEEP DEPARTMENT INFORMED.

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